

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of : Minoru KAWASAKI, et al  
Application No. : 10/580,463  
Filed : May 25, 2006  
For: : WEAR-RESISTANT COPPER-BASED ALLOY  
Art Unit : 1793  
Examiner : IP, Sikyin  
Confirmation No. : 5522  
Docket No. : 77724/6

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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In response to the non-final Office Action dated June 27, 2008, applicants request that the Office Action be reconsidered in view of the amendments and remarks as shown below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.